

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Application Number	10/523,618	Filing Date	April 25, 2006	Confirmation Number	1368	Docket Number	Q117058
First Named Inventor	Bruno COVELLI		Examiner Name	STROUD, JONATHAN R		Art Unit	3774
Title	IN-VITRO METHOD FOR THE PRODUCTION OF A HOMOLOGOUS STENTED TISSUE-ENGINEERED HEART VALVE						

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

**SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Do NOT consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ☒ Enclosed
- ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ☒ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- References cited in Amendment/Reply:
- ☒ 1) Vesely Heart valve tissue engineering (Circ Res. 2005 Oct 14;97(8):743-55)
- 2) Sacks et al. Bioengineering challenges for heart valve tissue engineering (Annu Rev Biomed Eng. 2009;11:289-313)
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

**MISCELLANEOUS**

- ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**FEES**

**The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.**

- ☒ The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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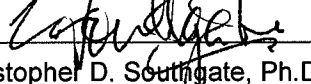
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